CAC Meeting Summary (Year End BBQ) Lone Pine State Park Visitor Center 6:00 p.m. June 10, 2008

Presentations

Lone Pine (Dave Landstrom) – Donation of 160 acres by the White's in 1942. In 1947, Lone Pine became the second State Park in the state of Montana. Recently renovation took place due to the growing population and needs of Kalispell. There is 5 miles of trails and an archery range. The "conservation" message is embodied in all themes within this park. Lone Pine State Park recently grew by 40 adjacent acres with the Van Riper acquisition. The Van Riper's had placed a conservation easement on the 40 acres prior to FWP buying the property. Lone Pine Forestry Management has includes 70 acres that was treated in 2007, 2000 Ponderosa & larch planted. Stumpage sales covered the project's costs. The park is a day use park with hours of operation from 7 am to dark.

Grizzly Bear Management (Tim Manley) - Update on the progress of the program and highlights of interesting events.

Round Table Discussion

- The recent article in the paper regarding Pike in the Lower Flathead River was really good. There is a lot of Pike! Can something be done to pursue a Pike fishery? (Currently anglers are harvesting about half of the Pike.)
- ➤ Thompson Falls is happy about the attempt to purchase property for sheep.
- > Fall Turkey tags will this deplete the population?
- ➤ The county is proposing the close the green box dumpsites out near the McGregor Lake community (Marion) due to a decrease in their budget. If this happens the garbage will have to be taken to the landfill or to Kila. Tim Manley or Eric Wenum will try to intervene due to potential problems with bears this may cause as some people may become more sluggish in removing their garbage.
- South Fork Westslope Cutthroat Trout Project updates the committee requests regular / frequent updates.
 - Jim Satterfield gave update of the recent public meeting that took place on 5/14/08.
- Northshore of Flathead Lake the county commissioners voted down a subdivision, there's chance to talk to the commissioner's, as there are a lot of great programs coming along.
- When will Block Management maps be available for download online?
 - Since the June meeting took place, Martha sent Justin a link to
 http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/hunteraccess/blockman/region7.html
 FWP is doing a test in the Region 7 portion of the state regarding the block management guides and some maps.

- Access Issues / requested updates: McGregor Lake, Crystal Lake and Lake Five. Dave Landstrom gives updates to all.
- Are the wolves we have here now the same species as were here 100 years ago?
- ➤ Is FWP going to remove any more sheep from Wild Horse Island? John Fraley gives update.
- ➤ Is there any size limit on Pike? Mostly...no. Blanchard Lake is the only lake in the Western District that has a slot limit; all the rest of the Western District is 15 per day of any size.
- > The Hodges acquisition is a great thing.
- ➤ Libby Rod & Gun Club invites all to attend a gathering on 6/21/08.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Next meeting will be set via email for September.